

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1 1. A bone anchor comprising:
2 an anchor body configured to be retained within bone, the anchor body including a
3 restrictor defining an opening having a first portion for permitting passage of a member
4 therethrough, and a second portion restricting passage of the member therethrough, the
5 member being movable between the first and second portions in a direction non-parallel to a
6 direction of passage of the member through the opening.
- 1 2. The bone anchor of claim 1 wherein the restrictor includes an edge lining a wall of
2 the opening.
- 1 3. The bone anchor of claim 2 wherein the edge is oriented obliquely to a direction of
2 passage of the member through the opening.
- 1 4. The bone anchor of claim 2 wherein the restrictor includes multiple edges lining
2 the wall of the opening.
- 1 5. The bone anchor of claim 4 wherein at least some of the edges are oriented at the
2 same oblique angle relative to the direction of passage of the member through the opening.
- 1 6. The bone anchor of claim 4 wherein at least some of the edges are oriented parallel
2 to each other.
- 1 7. The bone anchor of claim 1 wherein a dimension of the second portion is narrower
2 than a diameter of the member.
- 1 8. The bone anchor of claim 1 wherein the opening is triangular in shape.
- 1 9. The bone anchor of claim 1 configured such that the member is movable between
2 the first and second portions substantially perpendicularly to a direction of passage of the
3 member through the opening.
- 1 10. The bone anchor of claim 1 wherein the anchor body includes a tissue penetrating
2 tip.

1 11. The bone anchor of claim 1 wherein the anchor body includes a central body
2 member.

1 12. The bone anchor of claim 10 wherein the central body includes a driver coupling.

1 13. The bone anchor of claim 1 wherein the anchor body includes a resilient member
2 for engaging bone tissue.

1 14. The bone anchor of claim 13 wherein the resilient member has a sharp, proximal
2 edge for penetrating bone tissue.

1 15. The bone anchor of claim 1 wherein the anchor body includes multiple resilient
2 members.

1 16. The bone anchor of claim 1 wherein the anchor body comprises a unitary body.

1 17. A tissue repair system comprising:
2 a first bone anchor including a first anchor body configured to be retained within
3 bone,

4 a second bone anchor including a second anchor body configured to be retained
5 within bone, and

6 a flexible member coupling the first and second bone anchors, at least one of the first
7 and second anchor bodies includes a restrictor defining an opening having a first portion for
8 passage of the flexible member therethrough, and a second portion limiting passage of the
9 flexible member therethrough, the flexible member being movable between the first and
10 second portions in a direction non-parallel to a direction of passage of the member through
11 the opening.

1 18. A bone anchor, comprising:
2 an anchor body configured to be retained within bone, the anchor body including a
3 restrictor defining an opening for passage of a member therethrough, the restrictor including
4 an edge lining a wall of the opening oriented such that upon movement of the member
5 through the opening in a first direction, the member is also moved non-parallel to the first
6 direction.

1 19. The bone anchor of claim 18 wherein the edge is oriented such that upon
2 movement of the member through the opening in a second direction opposite the first
3 direction, the member is also moved non-parallel to the second direction.

1 20. The bone anchor of claim 18 wherein the restrictor includes a second edge lining
2 the wall of the opening, the second edge being oriented such that upon movement of the
3 member through the opening in a second direction opposite the first direction, the member is
4 also moved non-parallel to the second direction.

1 21. A method comprising:
2 placing an anchor in bone, the anchor body including a restrictor defining an opening
3 having a first portion for permitting passage of a member therethrough, and a second portion
4 restricting passage of the member therethrough,
5 moving the member between the first and second portions in a direction non-parallel
6 to a direction of passage of the member through the opening.

1 22. The method of claim 21 further comprising engaging the member with an edge
2 lining a wall of the opening.

1 23. The method of claim 21 wherein moving the member to the second portion
2 comprises moving the member in a direction substantially perpendicular to a direction moved
3 by the member through the first portion.

1 24. The method of claim 21 further comprising placing a second anchor in bone, the
2 second anchor being coupled to the first anchor by the member.